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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 5

Part B for June 22

SUBJECT

Post of Pesh Imam in the Mosque at Chitaldrug.

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To. The Inspector General of Forests in Mysore
No 3081 & 21-6-22

Passes orders in the matter of Confirmation of the present Pesh Imam in the Mosque at Chitaldrug

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FILE HEADING.

Post of Peshi Imam in the Mosque at Chitaldrug.

From

The Mug: Comr in Mysore

No. C. 924 of 22-3 Dated 9-1-23 Received 11-1-23

Diary No. 1397 Enclosures Spare Copies Serial No. 2

BRIEF STATEMENT OF LETTER.

Forwards the Chitaldrug Dy: Comr's letter No. Se 393 of 19-20 & 21-12-22 submitting for the consideration of Govt the petn of Syed Mozadum Hussain, the present holder of the Peshi Imam's post, praying that he may be allowed to continue to discharge his duties as of Peshi Imam in addn to his Govt work, till the post of the Peshi Imam is filled.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

1. In para 4 of G.O. No. 15 21-3/Mug 517-19-21 & 13-10-22 it has been directed that the present incumbent of the office of Peshi Imam may be confirmed in his appointment; if he resigns the Govt service and if in the meanwhile he is to

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discharge the duties of his office. The D. C. has also been asked to fix a suitable salary for the Pesh Imam out of the income of the mosque.

2 With reference to the above, the D. C. reports that the expenditure in the mosque is more than the income & that it will not, therefore, allow of any salary being fixed for the post of Pesh Imam. He wants sufficient funds to be saved from the Mughal grant for this purpose.

3. The present incumbent of the office of Pesh Imam prays that he may be permitted to hold the Govt appointment and continue to do the duties of Pesh Imam, as well as during the several years past, he has been leading the prayers three times a day without prejudice to his Govt work and his brother twice a day, & that the work is being discharged satisfactorily.

4. Until the pay of the post is fixed & funds are found for it, the D. C. submits that it is a point for consideration whether and orders whether the prayer of the present incumbent may not be granted.

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5. Letter dtd 20/1/23 from Secy to Govt of India, Army Department, New Delhi, forwarding a copy of letter dtd 19/1/23 from Lt-Col. Sir Pertab Singh, Bart., C.B.E., A.D.C., Jodhpur Lancers, Aide-de-Camp to His Highness the Maharaja of Jodhpur, regarding the appointment of Lt. Hanwant Singh, Jodhpur Lancers, as Aide-de-Camp to His Highness the Maharaja of Jodhpur.

Put Minister

19/1/23

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6. The H.C. has not offered any opinion on the recommendation made by the S.C. As a matter may be drawn to this & an expression of view obtained early.

Secy
23.1.23

Draft letter submitted
25/1/23

Done
25/1/23

No 2182 S dt 25/1/23 to the Govt. Comm.

Requests an early expression of his views in the matter.

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From the Mug: Comr., letter no. C. 924 of 22-23 & 21-2-23.

Requests to be informed whether the 3rd. brother of the Sri Khaji, who is 23 yrs of age may be appointed as Peish Imam in ~~the~~ lieu of the 2nd brother of the Khaji, who is employed in the Excise Deptt.

8. The Dy: Comrs letter no. Se 393 of 19-20 & 21-12-22, which was sent to the Mug: Comr for opinion, has not been received back. In that letter the D C had sought for orders of Govt on the prayer of Syed Mogadam Hussain, the present holder of the post of Peish Imam, that he may be ~~continued~~ permitted to hold the post of Peish Imam, in addn to his Govt appointment, till the pay of Peish Imam is fixed.

9. On this point the opinion of the Mugrai Comr was called for.

10. The Mug: Comr now reports that he learns from personal enquiry that Syed Dastagir, the 3rd ~~brother~~ of the Sri Khaji, ~~has been~~ who is 23 yrs of age, has been appointed as Peish Imam in lieu of the 2nd brother, who is an employee in the Excise Deptt and requests to be informed

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whether there is any objection to this appointment on the score of age. It is stated that the present Sri Khaji himself was at the age of 16 the prayers when he was only 16. The qualifications of Syed Dastagir for appointment as Pesh Imam have not been reported. If there should be any objection to the appointment of the above person on account of his young age, it is proposed to continue the present man, who is the 2nd brother of the Khaji on the condition of his taking leave of the Govt appointment, so long as he continues as Pesh Imam.

11. The petn of Sri Sri Khaji praying for a review of the Govt order of Oct 22, was rejected in No. 2405/Mis 254-22-4 dt 1.3.23.

12. Subd for orders on the points noted above.

SD 1.3.23 SG 1/3/23

13. The Sri Khaji was here today and he said that it was his 3rd brother Dastagir that was looking after the Pesh Imam's duties and it was only after the issue of the G.O. of Oct 22 that his 2nd brother has

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been attending to the Peish Imam's duties, taking leave from his Govt. appointment. He said that his 3rd brother is qualified to hold the post.

8d 14. The Sir Khaji says that it was 14-3-23 his 3rd brother Dastagir who was attending to the Peish Imam's duties and not his 2nd brother who is a Govt. servant. The other party say that it is the ~~brother~~ latter person, who was attending to the Peish Imam's duties. * The Dy: Comr's report on the point is not quite free from doubt. The G.O. of 13-10-22 taking it as true and that the 2nd brother, who is a Govt. servant was doing the Peish Imam's duties, directed in para 4 of the order that he should resign his Govt. appointment, if he should be confirmed as Peish Imam.

15. The Sir Khaji now urges that ~~this~~ his 3rd brother, who is 23 yrs of age, may be appted as Peish Imam. The Mlg: Comr states in his letter that he has seen him and that he is about that age.

16. The other party, who was here the other day, contend that the 3rd brother of the Khaji is a minor & is, so not

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qualified to be Peshi Imam. They lay stress on the following clause of the G.O.

"If he is not to be confirmed, then the Dy. Comr. may appoint a man, preferably an outsider, who may be acceptable to a great majority of the people of Chitaldrug, though not to both the parties".

17 In view of the above order of Govt., it is subd. for orders whether the D.C. may not be called up to call for a meeting of the Muhamadans & take their opinion by votes, whether the 3rd brother Dastagir may be apptd. Peshi Imam.

SD 20-3-23 I know that the Govt have ordered that the Dy Comr may appoint as Peshi Imam a man, preferably an outsider who may be acceptable to a great majority of the Muhammadan people of Chitaldrug, tho' not to both the parties, it seems desirable to ask the Dy Comr to select, as the Peshi Imam an outsider who gets the largest no of votes. The Dy Comr may be requested to be present & take this himself so that there may not be further trouble in the matter.

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19 I was also asked that the Khazanchi Clerk in the Darbar office should was drawing duty as Persian Translator and the D.O. dated 13 October 1922 said that he might be confirmed in his appointment if he passed the test. This could not be done as he was absent on leave. I was not convinced that there was any objection on the ground of the duties of Persian Translator of the Khazanchi being entrusted to the Khazanchi Clerk. The Khazanchi Clerk was drawing the duties of Persian Translator and that he might be confirmed as such. He is required to be 23 years of age and therefore he might be authorized to attend him if he could undertake same for the year.

21 If this is not considered desirable, the Khazanchi Clerk will attend to the duties, being

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(Second Member) 21/3/23

22) Shaikh Ismail notes at pages 11, 13 & 18 in the file 517-19 & the report of the Deputy Commissioner Civil Station and his representations & the Musalmani Association Sultanabad showing clearly to the Court that the present Mr. Khanji had admitted his mistake & not carried on Appeal & his decision was free to both the parties Ismail Peshi Imam and it was his admitment that our vakil Mr. Sitaram Laxman & ourself & Ismail Peshi Imam the present Cashmanni & his Mr. Khanji that he had admitted another his & his who was not in the Court is not Complete Counsel. In fact his name in the case pleaded on his assumption that his name & his Khanji was incapable & absurdity to his father & Peshi Imam as he himself the Appellant and was not [illegible] to admit his signature &

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all his property here. His Khazi has been sending his round to collect his pay & Peish Imam in his country.

23) His is no misdeed in his institution as his name & his Peish Imam Syed Mehidin is his real name and Syed Ahmed Chelebi is his alias.

24) Neither his name nor his Khazi's name nor his Peish Imam Syed Mehidin name Syed Ahmed Chelebi have been declared in the list of his pay & his Peish Imam as their work merits. What his W.T. name says is that his Khazi does not possess his right to remain his Peish Imam, or to exercise control over his mosque & his lands & his pay & Khazi under his powers & his Peish Imam Land. He was at once his right & his W.T. to appoint his Mohammedan Peish Imam. He was [illegible] Syed Mehidin also. Syed Ahmed Chelebi has no honorary right to his pay. He & your Hon'ble his W.T. to appoint any such like Imam to his [illegible]

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Mentioned above and the Contractor who may be appointed in his place will also be at the pleasure of the Govt. In case he does not keep the Rest House clean and does not attend to the Mosque regularly it will be open to the Govt. to remove him from his place.

25) Should it be desired to put the Rest House under the Public Works Department the Contractor will be required to carry out the orders of the Executive Engineer in charge of the Division. But if the 3rd floor of the Old Khanqah or the 3 bathrooms in the appointed, it shall be open to the Contractor to use it as a godown for keeping any building materials of his trade, but the Contractor will be allowed to use the Khanqah for the purpose of his business.

26) The Contractor will be responsible for the proper upkeep of the Mosque, Khanqah and Rest House and shall keep them in good condition.

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First Member) 27/8/23

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27) I am in full agreement with the views expressed in the record of Members minute above (27.3.23. The Sir Khasi has been British in [illegible] born here & has [illegible] British a step [illegible] his. This is [illegible] admitted. When he was at Chirabong in Aug 1920, visited his mosque & heard these representations the Park Incam was the brother who was employed in the Political Service. To make a statement not in accordance with this is not [illegible] the British. The M.L.A. may be informed on the lines indicated in the record of Members minute.

28) I do not know why this has been [illegible] Political [illegible] the Secretariat [illegible] so this is a [illegible] in the same [illegible]

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2	9. With reference to the 2nd Member's minute in para 23, it is respect fully subd that Syed Mohideen and Syed Abdul Khalak are two different persons and not two different names of the same person. Syed Mohiuddin Hussain is the present Sir Khaji of Chitaldrug & the eldest of the three brothers. His next brother, ~~who is the~~ Syed Moghdum Hussain is the Excise clerk. The 3rd & last brother is Syed Dastagir Hussain - 30. Syed Abdul Khalak is the person who has been preferred for the Peish Imam's office by the section of the Muhamadans of Chitaldrug, who are against the Sir Khaji's party (vide, the petn of Sir Khaji of 1-2-23, which is an enclo: to the M.C's letter & and also the petn of 28-3-23 from one section of the Muhamadans) - 2.4.23 7/4/23 Govt Member
3	Secy. The Rule may be enforced already indicated.
32	The decision will be communicated to the Municipal Council.

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33. I reject the suggestion & submit a note on the points raised by the Member on 31-3-1923

34. As the Bye-laws of the Council was duly passed by the First and Second Members in Council as the matter is urgent & Council cases requiring sanction both of them to be submitted the case in the first instance & the papers, & without the delay of a meeting of Council that matter in this case, and also the file passed & the second member

First Member) 7/4/23

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13.4.23.

35 Seen. A. S. 17/4/23

36. In the minutes of the Second Member, the present Park Inam is referred to as Syed Mohideen alias Abdul Khalak. Said reference is omitted to paragraphs 29 & 30 supra They are his different persons.

37 Subject to this modification,

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	A draft reply to Hon'ble Comr will, if approved, be submd for approval.
	RG 17.4.23
	38. Draft letter to Hon'ble Comr 18/4/23
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	39 Draft letter to M.C. is submd.
	SD 19.4.23 RG 19.4.23
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	Draft approved. It may be submd to the Second Member for his information.
	Rec'd 9.5.23
DSG 10.5.23	Second Member)
	The Second Member was pleased to direct (vide personally) that a D.O letter might be addressed to the Hon'ble Comr Chittagong in order to ascertain whether any steps were taken by the Aged Relatives Deputation to the GG on 13.6.22 before Abdul Khaliq whose claims have now been rejected.
	Draft DO is submd for appl.
	RG 8/5/23
	Issued DCS 7/5/23

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7 No 2967 of 8/6/23 to the Comm. of Chittagong Enquiries with regard to the relationship of Syed Nurudin & Abdul Khaleq

6 D.O. No. 187 S. 11.6.23 from the D.C. Chittagong forwarding re Abdul Khaleq's relationship to the persons K.A. Enamur

— The second members pencil modification in the draft reply & the Mun: Comr has been noted & re-submitted for approval.

13/6/23 (1st member) 21/6/23

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Seen. The draft letter may be issued

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9	No. 3081 dt 3/6/23 to Govt Hon. Counsel. Passes orders in the matter of Continuance of the Present Peish Imam in the Mosque at-Chitteldrug.

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Diary No. of letter replied to 1397

Muzrai Secretariat
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Date of issue 30.1.23

Signed by Mr. T.K. Thyagarajan

Section Muz
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To

The Muzrai Comr. in Mysore
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your memo: No. C. 924 of 22-23 & 9-1-23 forwarding the Chitaldrug Distt Dy: Comr's letter no S.C. 393 of 19-20 & 21-12-22 in the matter of the present Peon Imam being allowed to continue to do his duties in the mosque at Chitaldrug, I am directed to state that you have not offered your opinion on the recommended

over.

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If the Dy: Comr: and to request ~~therefore, that to be favoured with~~ an early expression of your view in the matter.

I have etc
W 25/1/23
Secretary
Rev: Defence

The Reply of the Dy Com with my memo thereon is ret^d for reply herewith

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List of enclosures.

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WD 0563—GPB—2,500—27-7-22

To,

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The Dewan of Mysore

Bangalore — 1899

GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT
31 MAR 1923
MUZRAI

Most Revered Sir,

We, the undersigned inhabitants of Chitaldroog Town, beg leave place before your honour, this our humble petition which, we, earnestly hope will bring final relief at your honour's hands as regards our long standing grievances.

We beg to state that the daily prayers in the mosque are not being conducted properly and regularly at stated hours for want of a permanent paish Imam, whose absence is very keenly felt by the mussalman Community. Bringing home the necessity of such an appointment to the musjid of this place, the Government have very kindly passed orders recently to elect by vote a paish Imam who enjoys the Confidence of the majority. These orders are hitherto not given any effect to. Here we beg to state, Sir, that the person must be suited for the paish Imamship and who by far wins the confidence of overwhelming majority, is Syed Abdul Khaliq.

We further beg to state that Sukhazi Sab is publishing in the town that Govt. have appointed his younger brother Dastagir Hussain. Hearing this, we, the mussalman Community once more pray respectfully, that Dastagir Hussain is completely a stranger,

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and does not know anything about our religious points, and hence quite unfit for the task of such a heavy responsibility as to conduct prayers. In the face of all these facts the Govt. may select, mr. Syed Abdul Khaliq, as paish Imam or bring the recent Govt. order for vol- into execution to form the most essential factor for the well being of Community.

Chitaldroog 28. 3. 1923

we humbly beg to remain,
Most Revered Sir,
Your most obedient Servants,

Syed Ahamed

Abdul Rahman

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To,

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GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT. 1888 29 MAR 1923 MUZRAI

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Most revered Sir,

We, the undersigned inhabitants of Chitaldroog town, beg leave to place before your honor, this, our humble petition which we earnestly hope will bring final relief at your honor's hands as regards our long standing grievances.

We beg to state that the daily prayers in the mosque are not being conducted properly and regularly at stated hours for want of a permanent paish Imam, whose absence is very keenly felt by the musalman community. Bringing home the necessity of such an appointment to the musjid of this place, the Government has very kindly passed orders recently to elect by vote a paish Imam who enjoys the confidence of the majority. These orders are hitherto not given any effect to. Here we beg to State, Sir, that the person must be suited for the paish ImamShip and who by for wins the confidence of overwhelming majority is Syed Abdul Khaluq.

We further beg to state that Sukhaji Sab is publishing in the town that Govt/. has appointed his younger brother, Dastagir Hussain. Hearing this we, the musalman community once more pray respectfully that Dastagir Hussain is Completely a youngster and does not know anything about our religious points and hence quite unfit for the task of such a heavy responcibility as to conduct prayers. In the face of all these facts, the Govt/. may select m/s. Syed Abdul Khaluq as

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into execution to form the most essential factor
for the well being of Community.

Chitaldroog
8/28. 3. 1923

we humbly beg to remain,
Most Revered Sir,
Your most obedient Servants,

Syed Mahmood

Abdul Rahman

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Office of the Civil Commissioner in Mysore,

Dated, Bangalore, the 20th February 1923

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From

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K. Chandy, Esquire, M.A.,

Civil Commissioner in Mysore

Bangalore.

REGD. No. 2170
MINT
22 FEB 1923

To

M. J. Joyner, Esq., I.C.S., B.L.,

Secretary to the Government of His Highness

the Maharaja of Mysore, Revenue Department.

Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.2130/Rev.54-22-2 dated the 20th ultimo forwarding for permission with my opinion the letter of the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District, in the matter of allowing the present Patel Irappa to continue to do his duties in the Taluq of Chitaldrug, I have the honor to transmit the accompanying herewith Sir Thaji Syed Mohiuddin Hussain's petition received with the Deputy Commissioner's letter No.3r.707 dated the 2nd February 1923 bringing to notice some mistake or fact in the Government Order No. 1591-3/Rev.517-19-01 dated the 14th October 1922 and to state that during my recent visit to the Taluq on the 6th instant, I have been informed that the petitioner has a full brother Patel and the Tahsildar who is that he has nominated Patel Irappa and not the petitioner in the Order referred to. The petitioner is about 21 years old. The present Sir Thaji i.e., the elder of the three brothers says that he himself started learning in order that he may be appointed

In these circumstances, I submit for his information that the terms of the Government Order, this case may be reopened and Patel Irappa or whether on account of his young age, a person should be selected. If there is no objection, I beg to suggest

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the desirability of consulting the 2nd Member of Council Mr. Yusuf Hussain on the question whether youth is a disqualification. After receipt of the Government Order, Syed Makdum Hussain, the brother of the Sir Thaji who is employed in the Excise Department is stated to be doing the duties of Pesh Imam obtaining three - months' leave. He said that in case Government are not prepared to appoint his younger brother, he is ready to continue on leave and do the work and agitate for getting some pay.

The Revenue Commissioner has been asked to defer selection of another person pending further orders of Government.

A petition presented to me at Chitaldrug by the followers of the Sir Thaji is herein enclosed together with one presented by the opposite party praying the appointment of Syed Abdul Malik as Pesh Imam. This petition is signed by the Sir Thaji's party by the influential individuals and by Syed Mohiuddin in spite of the Government Order of the 13th October 1920.

Another petition received in this office purporting to be from certain Muslim residents of Chitaldrug town and urging the claim of the Sir Thaji to appoint the Pesh Imam and praying for a stay of the Government Order is also enclosed herein.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

K Maudy

Inspg Commissioner.

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- petition of Syed Ibrahim

Hussain dated 18-11-22

Memo

forwarding the enclosed petition
for information has the honor to request
that he will be supplied with a report regarding the income and
expenditure of the Masjid and
its proposals regarding the Peish Imam

Assistant
Executive Comm
Chitaldrug

for Executive Comm
Chitaldrug

Camp Manthanne 29-11-22

forwarded to the Amildar, Chitaldrug,
for report in three weeks.

for Executive Comm
Chitaldrug

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To
The Deputy Commissioner
Chitral
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Most revered Sir,

I beg leave to bring the following lines for your gracious consideration with the earnest Connection that my wages will be granted :—

In due obedience to your gracious Commands I availed myself of three months' privilege Leave from 3 to me & am conducting the duties of Peshi Imam in the Jumma Mosjid. But I have learnt from a reliable source that since the transfer of the mosque are insufficient for the upkeep of the establishment and other expenditures, the question of fixing a definite salary to the Peshi Imam besetting us, not has been deferred. So under the circumstances there is no likelihood of any substantial salary being fixed for the Peshi Imam post. Such being the case I am loath to give up my Government appointment bearing a salary of Rs 30, per mensem.

At present I have been enjoying the duties of the Peshi Imam and even though I may rejoin Government service I can quite conveniently attend to the duties of the Peshi Imam in the absence of my brother Mir Khasi Saheb without in the least disturbing my office work. Quite conveniently I can lead the Congregation to prayers three times a day which do not fall during office hours, as has been the practice for a long time past. The rest of the functions can be safely left in the hands of my brother Syed Abdul Hussain who is quite competent for the office and who has

To,

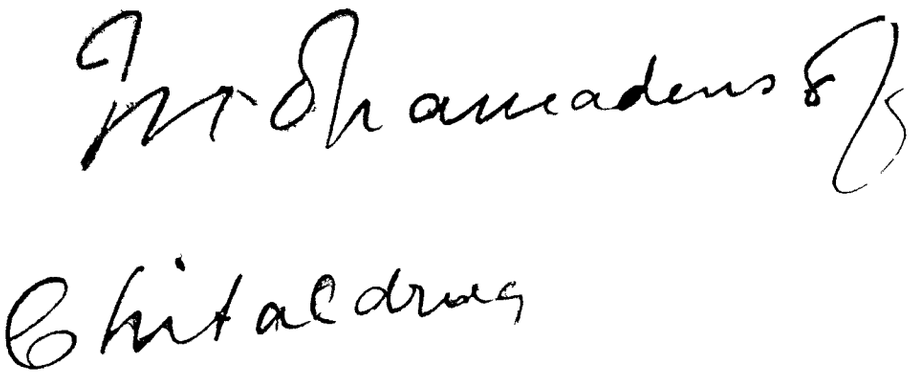
The Muzzrai Commissioner.

Chitaldrug
19th Dec 1922

Sir,

Owing to the duties before the recent Government order was passed. So, I earnestly request you to be so gracious enough as to allow me to perform the duties of the Peish Imam in addition to my office work, and I can assure you Sir, that I can manage this as before, to the utmost satisfaction of all. Sincerely hoping that this arrangement will be approved by you, for which act of kindness I shall be highly indebted to you.

I beg to remain
most revered Sir,
your most obedient servant
C. Syed Mosheen Khan
Excise Clerk
Chitaldrug



To,

The Muzrai Commissioner.
in Mysore, 33
Bangalore.

Forwarded for
note the letter
Dr

Respected Sir,

In connection with the Government Order No. 1521-3 muz 517-19-21 dated 13th October 1922 we, the muslim citizens of chitaldroog, humbly wish to bring the following for your kind consideration and favourable orders.

The kind order referred to above by some mistake takes Syed Maydoom Hussaini as the present incumbant to the office of the pesh Imam in the Chitaldroog Mosque But as a matter of fact it is his younger brother Syed Dastagir Hussain that is actually leading the prayers in the mosque in the absence of the Sur Khazi Sahib from Headquarters. It is him, whom the Sur Khazi had appointed as the pesh Imam of the mosque in obedience to the Government order. No. 649-50 muz 735-18-2 dated 21st August 1919 with the approval of the Deputy Commissioner, and we all bear witness to the fact that he is working after the duties of the pesh Imam for the last three or four years with all zeal, devotedness, and to the entire satisfaction of us all, and that he is in every way fit to cope with the religious duty entrusted to him.

But the recent government order puts aside his claim to the office both by hereditary and predence and takes for granted that his elder brother the said Syed Maydoom Hussaini is the present incumbent to the office. The said government order proceeds upon this mistake and demands a free election of a new pesh Imam for mosque if Syed Maydoom Hussaini does not choose to resign his governmental appointment.

Another similar mistake with the said order commits is as regards the Khateb.

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who with some strangers and mischief-makers of this place trying to establish his right to the office of the pesh Imam against the Sun Khazi, but in the express language of the same order, has still now failed to do so. His name is Syed Abdul Khalak where as the said government order calls him by the name of Syed mohiyeddin The supporters of Syed Abdul Khalak went to take shelter under this mistake and are thinking of forwarding him as one of the Candidates in the proposed election of a new pesh Imam though the said order in para No. 5 is clear in debarring him from the office of the pesh Imam. Under these circumstances we similarly dread to think that if the said order is given effect to as it is without the rectifications of the above mentioned mistaked, it will surely result in creating fearful discontant dangerous quarrels among the people here instead of bringing harmony between the two parties.

Therefore we humbly request you, in the interest of the welfare of the people here, to recommend a review or a reconsideration of this government order before it is given effect to. Praying for your long life and Prosperity.

We beg to remain,
Respected Sir,
your most obedient Servants,
The muslim citizens of
Chitaldroog.

Chitaldroog.
6th February 1923

C. Syed Abdul Rahim Jahagerdar.

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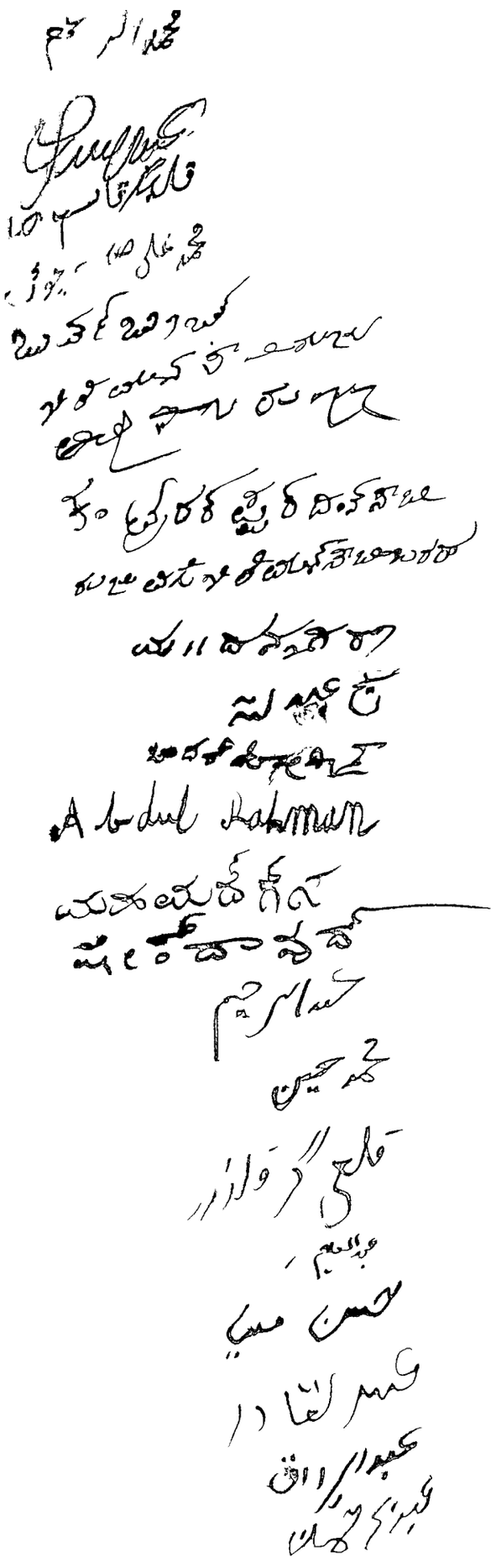

To

Pet c. No 142.
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The Huzrai Commissioner,

in Mysore,

BANGALORE.

Reg Post
30/1/23

Reverend sir,

In view of the recent Government order relating to the question of the appointment of a qualified and competent person for the Posh Imam's office in the Jumma Mosque of this place, we, the undersigned Muslim residents most humbly beg to place before you the following facts to you which we sincerely hope will receive your benign consideration:-

As you are fully aware sir, this controversial question of 'Khazi versus Posh Imam', is a fairly long-standing and protracted one. During the regime of almost all the Deputy Commissioners of this District, it has been fully decided in favour of Sur Khazi saheb whose rights and privileges have been upheld by each one of them. Besides the Civil Decree obtained in the matter and subsequently confirmed by the Judicial Commissioner, is an undying and corroborative proof of the powers vested in the Sur Khazi. But the contending party of the Posh Imam with a microscopic minority never cease agitating inspite of these set-backs until at last the Government completely negative all hereditary claims to this office.

But curiously indeed, the recent Government order is a direct interference in the long-established privileges of the Sur Khazi of nominating or removing a Posh Imam whenever he deems it expedient in the best interests of the mosque over which he presides, relieving in the same breath the claim. It draws a hard and fast line between 'Khazi' and 'Torliet', although the latter part of the function is vested in him in the clear and unmistakeable terms of the Government also in the express language of the Decree of the Civil Court. Such a waiving of the legitimate privileges of the Khazi simply for the sake of a discontented minority or some of individuals forming a clique with the Posh Imam, is not the entire Muslim Public to be in favour of this [illegible]

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-ly affect the prestige of the Sur Khazi and highly beneficial in the exercise of other duties. So we humbly pray that the honourable Government will be pleased to review the order and thus put an end to this contested question once for all by recognising the legal claims of the Sur Khazi. For this act of kindness we will be highly obliged to you.

We humbly beg to remain

Honoured Sir,

your most obedient servants

The Muslim Public of Chitaldrug.

Chitaldrug

2nd Jan. '25

No. 7 Khadee Inhabitants

To

The Deputy Commissioner

Chitaldrug district.

Respected Sir,

In Connection with the Govt order No 1621-y Misc 517-19-21 dated Bangalore 15th October 1922, I the undersigned as the Star Khazis of Chitaldrug wish to bring the following for your kind and sympathetic Consideration

I wish to point out some mistakes of fact and of names on which the above-referred order of the Govt is based and that if the order is given effect to as it is without any modifications it is likely to create discontent among the parties here instead of bringing harmony between them For the obvious mistakes I am going to point out not only serve as loopholes for the mischief mongers but also take away some of the long established legal and customary rights of the Khazis.

(1) The first of these obvious mistakes is that the name of my appointment the Peshi Imam who in the words of the above referred order "has failed to establish his hereditary right to the office" is called by the name of Syed Abdul Khalak whereas the Kind order refers to him as Syed Mohiyuddin. This little mistake of names is likely to do great mischief. Though the order in its para No. 5 is clear in debarring him from

of the former Deputy Commissioner to appoint
him as the Dimam or Second Peshi Imam
does not commend itself to the Govt, and
under the circumstances the Govt was com
to dismiss him from the office of the Peshi Imam in
1905, the people of his part which consists of
some strangers and mischief-makers having
no particular interest in the welfare of the pe
here, is taking shelter in this mistake of n
and is thinking of putting forward the name
of Syed Abdul Khalak as one of the candidates
for the office of the Peshi Imam in the propose
election. This procedure goes obviously again
the intention of the Govt which debars Syed
Abdul Khalak from the office of the Peshi Ima
but mistakes the name of Syed Mohiyeddin for the
of Syed Abdul Khalak. Again I beg to state
that there is no person by the name of Syed Mohiyed
in this place.

12) I have got two brothers. one of them
Syed Magdoom Hussaini is a Govt Servant who
is by some similar mistake taken as the presen
incumbent to the office of the Peshi Imam, whereas
it was the younger one by name Syed Dastagee
Hussaini who is actually leading the prayers
in the mosque in my absence for the last three
or four years and whom in obedience to th
Govt order no. 649-S/Mucy 735-18-2 dated 21st
August 1919 I was the sole charge of the districts
had the honor to appoint as the Peshi Imam
of the masjid of this place. But the recalc

This mistake is probably due to the ambiguous reference of Mr. Syed Najeeb ur, the former describing Commissioner of this District in his report to the Govt wherein he refers to him as one of my brothers but does not give his na

Moreover the kind order takes away some of the Customary rights of the Sur Khazi which were granted to him through a Sanad by the Adalath Cutchery and which have been subsequently Confirmed by all the later orders of the Govt. So I have already lodged an appeal petition to the Govt to review the order, and the same is Still pending disposal.

And I request you in the interest of peace and tranquility of people here to recommend to the Govt for recommendation of the same and rectification of the above referred mistakes, So that the person debarred from the post of the Peshimam according to recent Govt orders may not take shelter in the above referred mistake of name, and be allowed to stand as a Candidate in the election and thus cause a disturbance to the peace and harmony of the Muslim publics of the place.

I beg to remain
respectfully Sir.
your most obedient servant
Syed Najeeb Hussaini
Sur Khazi Chitaldrug

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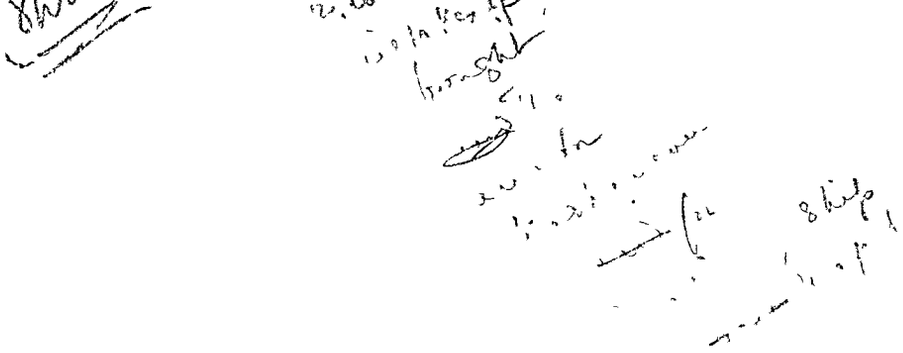

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My dear Sir,

In ~~continuation~~ connection with the Pesh Imamship of the Chitaldrug mosque, I am desired to invite your attention to para. 5 of C.O. No.1521-3/Muz. 517-19-21 dated 13-10-1922 and ~~desired~~ to request you to kindly inform me whether Syed Mohieudin referred to in the ~~above order~~ same is the same as Syed Abdul Khalaq whose claims to the place have been urged by a section of the Muscalmans residents of Chitaldrug; ~~and~~ if not, whether they bear any relationship to each other. If the latter, how are they related to each other? A reply by ~~return of post~~ is ~~requested.~~

What were the names of Abdul Khalaq's father and grandfather? Did the latter till his death live in the Office of the Peshmamship of the Chitaldrug Mosque?

Send ~~by wire~~ to be so good as to ascertain these points and send up your reply immediately.

Yours sincerely,

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Reminder

8/6/23

D.O.No.127/Muz-3

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Office of the Deputy Commissioner,

Chitaldrug District.

Dated Chitaldrug, 11th June 1923.

Dear sir,

In reply to your D.O.No.2967/Muz.254-22-1 dated 4th June 1923, I write to state that it is not clear who the Syed Mohaddin referred to in para 5 of Government Order No.1521-3/Muz.517-19-21 dated 13th October 1922 is. The present Khazi's name is Syed Mohiuddin Hussein. His younger brother, who was nominated by him as Pesh Imam is called Syed Mohdum Hussein. Syed Abdul Khalak is the person who has been contending for the Pesh Imam's place.

Syed Abdul Khalak is the son of Syed Abdul Razakh Sahib and grand son of Syed Mohaddin Sahib. Syed Abdul Khalak's great grand father is Syed Idiris Urf Peer Pacha. It is learnt that all these persons held the office of Pesh-Imamship in the Chitaldrug Mosque.

Yours sincerely

To

T.E.Jayarama Iyer Esq, B.A.,B.L.,

Secretary to Government,

Revenue Department,

Bangalore.

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Date of issue 25.6.23

Signed by Jas. D. C. Subbaraya

To

The Muzrai Comr in Mysore
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter no. C. 924 of 22-23 & 21-2-23 in the matter of allowing the present Peda Imam to continue his duties in the mosque at Shikarpur, I am directed to state that in Lr. O. No. 1521-3/Muz 517-19 21 & 13.10.22, neither the members

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of the Khajis family, nor ~~the~~ Syed Abdul Khalak have been declared to be ineligible for the office of Peah Imam on their own merits. What the Govt. order lays down is that the sir Khaji does not possess the right to nominate the Peah Imam or to exercise control over the mosque either under the terms of the sanad or by virtue of his office as Khaji under the provisions of the Mohomedan law. The order affirms the right of the Govt. to appoint Mutavalli and the Peah Imam. It also lays down that Syed Abdul Khalak has no hereditary right to the place-office It is open, therefore, to the Govt. to appoint any suitable man to the office

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offices mentioned above and the continuance in office of the man so appointed will be at the pleasure of the Govt. For example, if he does not perform his duties properly and does not attend the mosque regularly, it will be open to the Govt to remove him from the office.

2. I am further to state that youth is no disqualification for the office of Pesh Imam, provided the man selected has attained the age of puberty and possesses the necessary knowledge of the Koran and the rituals to carry on the duties of the office. If ~~the Qazi~~ Syed Dastagir Hussain, the 3rd son of the old Khaji or the 3rd brother of the present Khazi is to be appointed it should be made clear that it is not in recognition of any hereditary right of the family, that he has

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been so appointed. ~~You~~ special care should be taken ~~are requested~~ to see that no such impression is ~~not~~ created in the mind of the Khaja by any order that you may pass in the matter. Your ~~kind~~ attention is also invited to para 4 of the G.O. of 13.10.22 wherein it is laid down that the man to be appointed may, preferably, be an outsider, who may be acceptable to a great majority of the people of Chitaldrug, ~~though~~ though not to both parties.

3. I am ~~to~~ also ~~directed~~ to invite ~~your~~ attention to the impropriety of making ~~any~~ a reference to the individual members of Govt in an official communication.

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Secretary
Rev: Deptt

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